

MINUTES

TUCSON METRO SOCCER LEAGUE BOARD MEETING

January 10, 2024

Attendees: Vasilis (Bill) Andriopoulos, Marty Tagg, Homayoon (Homa) Karimi, Eddie Betterton, Belayneh (Bee) Tafesse, Pete Wendler, Diego Morales, Adam Roth

Guests: None

Absences: Jonathan Pearlman

Meeting: The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm.

Routine Business (AGENDA):

- I. The minutes of December meeting were motioned for approval by Homa and Marty seconded.
 - Bee asks to change wording from Age Group to Division in previous minutes.
 - Approval was unanimous.
- II. Financial Report – Homa provided a brief financial report. Total assets are \$113,532.63 with \$6815.56 in PayPal and \$106,717.07 in Wells Fargo.
 - Homa is going to transfer 10k from PayPal to Wells Fargo.
 - Homa says there is a transaction he cannot identify of \$3006. Bill says that was him and he was paying Kino Fields.
 - Marty motioned for approval and Bee seconded. Approval was unanimous.
- III. D&R – 10 red card or illegal process cases, including 5 occurring during the month and 5 outstanding ones.
 - New process is working well. All cases have been caught up on.
- IV. **Old Business**
 - 1) Turf Tank (Paint-machine)
 - Bill sent an email to Larry on Monday and is waiting for a reply.
 - 2) IRS
 - David is talking to the IRS and Bill is waiting for his correspondence.
 - 3) Christmas Party
 - Two people only sent restaurant suggestions to Bill. Bill asks if they should still go ahead with it and Marty says we should.
 - Bill suggests a Saturday and that you should be able to bring your kids. Everyone agrees with the idea.
 - Bill will send an email and start a thread where they can talk about dates and locations.
 - 4) Fiji (Donation)

- Marty has gotten no correspondence from Raad Taki. Marty will follow up with him about next steps.

V. New Business

1. Chapman Sponsorship

- Bill asks if Adam wants to take charge. Adam agrees. Marty will send him the letter so he can take next steps.

2. Indomitable Lions

- The only team to not make the second payments. Only 3 or 4 players paid. 2 players were suspended. Their last game was a forfeit due to lack of players. It is their second forfeit of the season. Bill will send an official email asking them to pay their bond.

3. Playoffs

- Will be sometime in March. Bill suggests that the board needs to start thinking about the restaurant for the tournament draw and the format for the Open Division.
- Marty says there are two people on the tournament committee who can talk about it. Marty says there are currently 13 teams in Open Division. Potential for two brackets so everyone can play but call them A & B brackets rather than winners or losers brackets.
- Homa says he is in favor of being inclusive and allowing everyone the opportunity to play. However, no A & B brackets.
- Diego says to split Open Division into two, can be called Men's Open A & Men's Open B. Then there will be Open A champion, Open B champion, and then the over 40, over 50 and over 60 champions. Pick the Open A and B by looking at the standings at the end of the season and the first through sixth place teams get drawn into a tournament for the Open A and then the bottom teams get put into a draw for the tournament for Open B.
- Marty says to wait later into the season to determine A & B divisions.

4. Pay Structure

- Bill says there were issues with the second payment. There was an issue where the payment for the over 60 division was listed on the website as \$50 instead of \$100. He said he caught this issue and fixed the listing but that there were a few players who had already registered with this price.
- Unsure how this issue occurred.
- Marty is worried that these players would be considered unregistered and therefore an illegal player.
- Marty & Bill will talk about it and handle it outside of the board. They will talk to Eddie & John Farmer for a solution.

5. Other

- Adam says that Dan Trainer renewed the insurance policy.

- Player State Fees- Marty asks if the fee they pay to the state is showing up as two players for dual players. Adam says he can ask Dan to review the list of players to make sure that payments are in line.
- Marty says that one of the bank or PayPal statements he saw showed that around a dollar or more was being taken out of these payments through PayPal on their end instead of the player's. Homa will investigate it.

6. Next Meeting Reschedule

- The next meeting falls on Valentine's Day and Bill asks if it should be moved to Feb 15th, the 7th or the 21st.
- Everyone agrees on the 21st.

VI. Adjournment. Adam motioned to end the meeting and Bee seconded. Approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 28th day of January 2024.

By Emma Peet

Vasilis Andriopoulos
President

The next meeting of the Tucson Metro Soccer League Board of Directors will be in person at The Shop and/or virtual on Wednesday, February 21st at 6:30 pm.